2008 Carbon Sequestration Atlas of the United States and Canada – Version 2



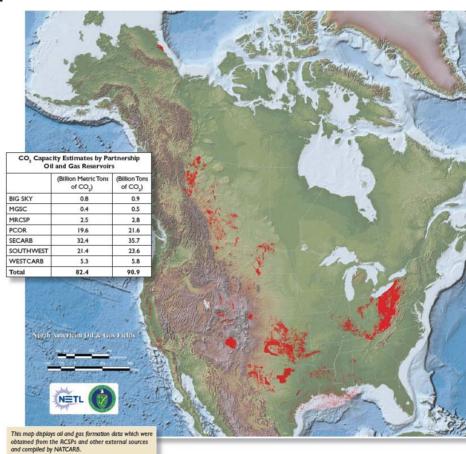
Oil and Gas Fields

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Oil and Gas Fields

- Probable initial target location for geologic storage of CO₂
- Proven trap that holds the hydrocarbons in place
- Value added benefit CO₂ injected can recover incremental oil (10-15% of original oil in place)
- Version 1 documented the location of more than 82.4 billion metric tons (90.8 billion tons)
- Regional Scale



Oil and Gas Fields - Granularity

Version 1

- Resource estimates at various scales
 - Partnership, state/province or field

Version 2

- Resource estimates at the oil or gas field level
 - Well defined on technical and regulatory basis
 - Not insurmountable task in terms of data manipulation, storage and access
 - Easily summed to provide estimates at the state or partnership scales
 - Possible to cross-check estimates against readily available state/province and national production figures

Oil and Gas Fields – Other Considerations

Minimum and Maximum Depths

- No cutoff
 - Cognizant of SDWA Definitions
 - TDS greater than 10,000 ppm
 - Unless specifically noted and justified

Economics and Engineering

- Not considered
- No maturity Distinction

Rank scale of the assessment and type of resource

- Effective Resource (Vast Majority)
- Practical Resource (Limited)

Oil and Gas Fields – Computing Resource

Definition

- Volumes of the subsurface that have hosted natural accumulations of oil and/or gas and that could, in the future, be used to store CO₂.
 - Mapping of oil and gas formations is not required
 - Trap, seal and porosity demonstrated

• Volume Replacement

- Volumetrics-based CO₂ storage estimate
- Production-based CO₂ storage estimate
- Storage Efficiency Factors Incorporated
- No Range of Resource Values Proposed

Oil and Gas Fields – Simplifying Assumptions

Not Considered (Positive Effect on Storage)

- Miscibility of CO₂ into oil
- Dissolution of CO₂ into residual and associated water
- Mineral trapping
- Pressure decline as a result of production

Not Considered (Negative Effect on Storage)

- imperfect inversion of processes during production
- Effect of solution gas drive
- Waterflooding and water drive
- Seal compromise (Penetration or Deformation)